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SUBJECT: CCD: MEETING BETWEEN SWEDISH AND US REPS ON CCD
PROVISIONAL WORK PROGRAM

REF: A. GENEVA 1267 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY. USREPS PAID CALL ON SWEDISH REPS AFTERNOON

FEB 22, TO TRANSMIT PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE WORK PROGRAM

PREVIOUSLY AGREED WITH SOVIET AND WESTERN DELS.

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SWEDISH REPS WELCOMED GENERAL PRAGMATISM AND FLEXIBILITY

OF PROPOSED WORK PROGRAM; RAISED SOME QUESTIONS REGARDING

SWEDISH INTEREST IN ESTABLISHING CTB WORKING GROUP, TO

WHICH SWEDISH DRAFT CONVENTION COULD BE REFERRED; AND

ASKED WHETHER USDEL HAD OBJECTIONS TO SWEDES' DIS2

CUSSING THIS WORK PROGRAM WITH GROUP OF 15, FEB 23.

US REPS PREFERRED THAT SWEDES TALK FROM PAPER PRO-

VIDED THEM BUT SUGGESTED MODALITIES WERE UP TO SWEDES. ASKED BY SWEDISH REP WHETHER HE WOULD OBJECT TO MEETING WITH GROUP OF 15, OR SOME MEMBERS, USREP SAID HE HAD NO DIFFICULTIES IN MEETING WITH SOME OF THE GROUP OF 15 IN CAPACITY AS UREP RATHER THAN CO-CHAIRMAN OF CCD. END SUMMARY.

2. AS NOTED REF A, USREP MEYERS AND ALTERNATE REP TURRENTINE MET AT SWEDISH MISSION WITH SWEDISH REP THORSSON AND ALTERNATE REP AMB HAMILTON, IN CAPACITY SWEDISH DELEGATION AS CHAIRMAN GROQP OF 15, AFTERNOON OF FEB 23. USREP PROVIDED SWEDES WITH COPIES OF PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE OF CCD SESSION WORK PROGRAM WHICH WILL BE CIRCULATED AT PLENARY FEB 24, FOR DISCUSSION IN UNOFFICIAL OR INFORMAL MEETING OF CCD IMMEDIATELY AFTER PLENARY. US REP EXPLAINED THAT WORK PROGRAM DID NOT SPECIFICALLY STATE BUT CONTEMPLATED THAT CCD PLENARIES WOULD TAKE PLACE REGULARLY DURING THIS PERIOD, AND PROPOSALS FOR UNOFFICIAL MEETINGS AND MEETINGS OF EXPERTS SHOULD BE READ IN THAT LIGHT. HE ALSO STRESSED THAT, WITH RESPECT TO SCHEDULE OF UNOFFICIAL MEETINGS ON CTB DURING WEEK OF APRIL 18, USG ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY WOULD BE DEPENDENT ON STATE US CTB POLICY REVIEW.

3. SWEDISH REP THORSSON INDICATED THAT PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND REASONABLY OBJECTIVE FORMULATION BOTH WERE QUITE WELCOME TO SWEDES, BUT THAT SWEDES WISHED TO REFER DRAFT CONVENTION ON CTB, WHICH THEY ANTICIPATE INTRODUCING BEFORE MADAME THORSSON LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(PROBABLY FIRST WEEK IN MARCH) TO WORKING GROUP FOR DISCUSSION. US REP STRESSED FACT US THOUGHT ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING GROUP, AS OPPOSED TO UNOFFICIAL MEETINGS, IMPLIED ACTIVE NEGOTIATIONS ON SUBSTANCE, AND THAT US EXPECTED THAT ACTIVE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD MUCH MORE LIKELY EVENTUATE LATER RATHER THAN EARLIER. THIS OBVIOUSLY DEPENDED ON RAPIDITY OF EXTENSIVE US REVIEW, BUT IT WAS A FACT TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. IN THIS RESPECT, HE NOTED THAT US PRESENTLY DOUBTED ADVISABILITY OF MOVING OPENING OF CCD SUMMER SESSION AHEAD TO BEGINNING OF JUNE, ALTHOUGH WE WOULD ALSO BE INFLUENCED BY ATTITUDES OF OTHER CCD DELS AND BY OUR OWN STATE OF POLICY REVIEW.

4. SWEDISH REP, WHILE GENERALLY INDICATING SUPPORT FOR TIMING AND FORMAT OF WORK PROGRAM, NOTED THAT MEXICAN REP HAD MADE CLEAR HE WISHED TO INTRODUCE HIS PROPOSALS FOR REORGANIZING PROCEDURES AND STRUCTURE OF CCD, DESPITE APPARENT OPPOSITION ON PART MOST MEMBERS OF GROUP OF 15,

TO WHICH USREP SAID WE HAD ALREADY INDICATED TO MEXICAN
REP AND REAFFIRMED TO HIS DELEGATION AFTER HIS INTER-
VENTION IN FEB 22 PLENARY THAT WE CONTINUED TO OPPOSE
THIS KIND OF INITIAL CONCENTRATION OF CCD ATTENTION
ON PROCEDURES AND ORGANIZATION.

5. WHEN SWEDISH REP ASKED IF US WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTIES IF
SWEDES DISCUSSED TEXT OF PROPOSED WORK PROGRAM WITH GROUP
OF 15 ON FEB 23, USREP SAID HE SAW NO DIFFICULTIES IN
SPEAKING FROM TEXT. RESPONDING TO SUBSEQUENT SWEDISH
INQUIRY WHETHER HE WOULD BE WILLING TO MEET WITH GROUP
OF 15 OR SOME OF ITS MEMBERS TO DISCUSS REASONING BEHIND
PROPOSED WORK PROGRAM, USREP SAID THAT HE HAD NO DIFFICULTY
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